

Ferbane Parish Bulletin

Sunday 5th November 2023

Thirty First Sunday in Ordinary Time

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CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, FERBANE

SATURDAY 4th NOVEMBER - 7pm

1. May Lonican (1st A).

SUNDAY 5th NOVEMBER - 11am

1. Chris McCreedy.
2. Gerry Birrane, his son Martin and his grandson Gerard McEvoy.

Mon. 6th: 10am

Tues. 7th: 10am - People's Mass.

Wed. 8th: 10am - Deceased members & friends and families of the Coffee Morning group.

Thurs. 9th: 10am - Margaret Dunne (2nd A).

Sat. 11th: 10am - 1. Annette Higgins (Months Mind); 2. May McIntyre.

SATURDAY 11th NOVEMBER - 7pm

1. Thomas and Rose Coughlan.

SUNDAY 12th NOVEMBER - 11am

SS. PATRICK & SARAN, HIGH ST.

SUNDAY 5th NOVEMBER - 12 noon

1. Kay Perry (Months Mind).
2. Michael & Bridget Lonican, Jim & Maureen Larkin, Danny Lonican and his wife Nuala. Dermot Sheehan & Kathleen Lonican and May & Sarah Lonican.

Fri. 10th Nov.: 10am

SUNDAY 12th NOVEMBER - 12 noon

1. Lizzy, Lar & Larney Malone & their daughter Anne Hynes and her grandson Aaron.

2. Michael & Bridget Flynn, John Joe Geoghegan, Sister Kieran Flynn and deceased members of the Maleny & Brazil family.

ST. OLIVER PLUNKETT, BOORA

SUNDAY 5th NOVEMBER - 9.30am

Wed. 8th Nov.: 7pm

SUNDAY 12th NOVEMBER - 9.30am

1. Joe & Lucy Molloy.

NOVEMBER MASSES

Ferbane: Monday to Thursday 10am

High Street: Friday at 10am.

Boora: Wednesday at 7pm.

ANNUAL SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE FOR OUR DEAD

Church of the Immaculate Conception, Ferbane on Sunday 12th November at 4pm.

FEASTS THIS WEEK

Mon. 6th Nov: All the Saints of Ireland

Thurs. 9th Nov: The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

MASSES - All ceremonies can be heard on 106.5FM Parish Radio. Parish bulletin is available on www.ferbaneparish.ie.

COLLECTIONS - October 29th:

Offertory/Shrine €2,145. Thank you.

PARISH OFFICE - Open every Wednesday from 9am-1pm and 2-5pm. Tel: 090 6454309 or email parishoffice@ferbaneparish.ie.

PIONEER PLEDGE FOR THE MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS - A short-term pledge gives spiritual support and encouragement to people and their families who are living under a shadow of addiction. Further information from the Pioneers on 01 8054226 or via www.pioneers.ie/pray.

A PLENARY INDULGENCE - Applicable to the Holy Souls can be gained by visiting a cemetery from 1st-8th November and praying for the dead.

SVP - Confidential phone line 087 9272877.

ADOPTION SUPPORT - Information and Support for Birth Mothers whose babies were placed for adoption may be found at www.birthinfo.ie or by calling the relevant section of TUSLA at +353 818 445 500.

NAOMH CIARÁN LADIES FOOTBALL CLUB *Church Gate Collection* will take place this weekend, 4th and 5th November. Your support is greatly appreciated.

BRIDGE LESSONS FOR BEGINNERS - Will commence in the Bridge Hall on Monday 6th November at 7.30pm, if there is sufficient demand. Casual and stress free, there is no need for any previous experience of card playing. Subsequent lessons will be changed to suit if necessary. No commitment beyond the first night is required so why not see if this game is worth learning. Contact Paddy on 087 2261136 if you are interested.

HIGH STREET / BELMONT WOMEN'S GROUP - *Mon. 6th Nov.:* A night of jams, chutneys and sauces by Pauline Kilmartin. Come along to High Street Hall at 8pm for hints, tips and advice. *Date for your diary:* Christmas Market on Sunday 3rd December from 10am to 2.30pm. All local crafts, food etc. We ask for your support.

GALLEN UNITED - *Lotto Draw (Prize fund €6,600 - Jackpot €1,600; Star Prize €5,000).* Winning numbers were 1, 2, 3, 10. Bonus 21. No jackpot winner. Two match 3 winners. Next draw on Monday 6th November.

FERBANE GAA - *Lotto:* Winning numbers in last week's draw 13, 19, 22, 31. Bonus 1. No jackpot winner. Three match 3 winners. Next week's jackpot is €10,400. Draw on Tuesday 7th Nov.

BHM COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GROUP - Monthly meeting will be held on this Tuesday 7th November at 9pm in High Street Community Centre. All are welcome.

COFFEE MORNING - *Remembrance Mass* on Wednesday 8th November at 10am. Usual Coffee Morning afterwards followed by dinner in Banagher. **Early bus collection for Mass.**

ANAM CARA MIDLANDS - The organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding its monthly **Parent Evening for bereaved parents** on Wednesday 8th November at 7.15pm in the

Mullingar Park Hotel. This event is FREE and open to all bereaved parents. We also offer an online service. For more info call 01 4045378.

FERBANE BRIDGE CLUB - Continues on Wednesday 8th November at 7.30pm. All welcome.

FERBANE LIBRARY - Toddler Storytime every Thursday at 12.15pm in Ferbane Library. No booking necessary. **Lego Free Play event** will take place on Sat., November 11th at 11am. Suitable for 4 years plus. **Library Opening Hours:** Tuesday 10am-5pm (lunch 1-2pm); Thursday 10am-8pm (lunch 1-2pm & 5-6pm); Saturday 10am-1pm. Phone 090 6454259 or Email ferbanelibrary@offalycoco.ie.

YOUNG AT HEART / Senior Citizens Christmas Party Collection - Will take place at weekend Masses on Saturday 11th and Sunday 12th November. Last chance to give your name into the post office.

FERBANE BELMONT CE - Have vacancies on our scheme for 2 Groundsperson/Caretaker, 2 General Operatives and 1 Caretaker Cleaner. Successful applicants will continue with all existing benefits with a scheme top up. All participants can also avail of training and upskilling. For info. call 090 6454068.

31st SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

'They do not practice what they preach'

Thomas Jefferson wrote the US Declaration of Independence in 1776 which contains the wonderfully inspiring assertion that 'all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness'. Thomas Jefferson was a slave-owner! Words without deeds are hollow. Back in the first century the Roman philosopher Seneca proclaimed: 'The highest duty and the highest proof of wisdom is that deed and word should be in accord'. Today, Jesus castigates the Pharisees for not walking the talk, for laying heavy burdens, for seeking the limelight. He calls them hypocrites, a word meaning 'actors' in Greek, the ones who wore masks. True disciples must be genuine and grounded, living humbly the faith they profess, and in the process drawing others gently to 'come and see'. 'The strength of the Church is not the strength of its institutions, but the authenticity of its witness'. 'Lighthouses blow no horns; they only shine'.